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The references are as follows:

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- 1. Datta et al., 1996, Mol. Cell. Biol. 16:1085-1093.
- 2. Lewin, Genes V, Oxford University Press, 1994, pp. 914-915.

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